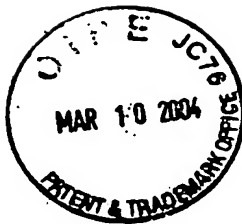


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
KAZUTAKA NAGASHIMA, ET AL. : ATTN: APPLICATIONS BRANCH  
SERIAL NO: NEW APPLICATION :  
FILED: HEREWITH :  
FOR: PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION OF ASPARTYL DIPEPTIDE ESTER  
DERIVATIVE, NOVEL PRODUCTION INTERMEDIATE THEREFOR, AND  
PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION THEREOF

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.48(b)

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

The undersigned Petitioner herein requests that the inventorship of the above-referenced application be amended to remove Yusuke Amino as an inventor. Petitioner acknowledges that Yusuke Amino is not an inventor of the subject matter of the claimed invention (Claim 49).

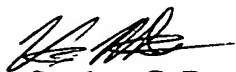
In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.48(b), enclosed is the fee set forth in 37 CFR §1.17(i).

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Consequently, it is respectfully requested that this petition be GRANTED.

Respectfully submitted,

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